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In re Application of

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For: WASTEWATER TREATMENT APPARATUS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Official Action dated March 17, 2009 for 1 month from June 17, 2009 to July 17, 2009.

A credit card authorization form to cover the cost of the extension is attached. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No.: 07-1337.

Respectfully submitted,

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